

## **EXAMINER'S COMMENT and AMENDMENT**

1. An Interview Summary detailing communications between the examiner and Applicant's representative Roger Browdy is attached hereto.
2. The Amendments to the Claims and Specification, filed 2/20/2008 are acknowledged and entered.
3. Claims 1-103 and 112-119 have been cancelled by Applicant.
4. An Examiner's amendment to the claims appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
5. Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicant's representative Roger Browdy on 3/27/2008. Authorization was given to amend the claim language of claim 104 by Examiner's Amendment and pass the case to issue.

### **In the claims:**

In claim 104, subpart (c) line 2, immediately following the phrase "to bind NIK", add the phrase "and comprises the two proline residues at positions 360 and 361 of SEQ ID NO: 22".

6. All pending claim rejections/objections are withdrawn in light of the Examiner's Amendment set forth herein.
7. Claims 108-111 are rejoined and are allowable as amended by the After-Final Amendment, filed 2/20/2008.

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8. Claim 104 is allowed with the aforementioned Examiner's Amendment. Support for the Examiner's Amendment is found in the specification at p. 19, lines 22-23.
9. Claims 105-107 are allowed as amended by the After-Final Amendment, filed 2/20/2008.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cherie M. Woodward whose telephone number is (571) 272-3329. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 9:00am-5:30pm (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Manjunath N. Rao can be reached on (571) 272-0939. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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